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SUBJECT: PROPOSED OIL/GAS PIPELINE EQUIPMENT SEMINAR/EXHIBIT  
(OCTOBER 1975)

USDOC FOR BEWT/TPD/UNKOVIC

REF: STATE 35470

1.DURING RECENT MEETING AT COMMERCIAL OFFICE WITH STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR OIL AND GAS SECTOR, COMMATT RAISED SUBJECT OF PROPOSED SEMINAR/EXHIBIT AND ASKED WHETHER STATE COMMITTEE HAD REACHED DECISION ON SPONSORSHIP. STATE COMMITTEE OFFICIAL ADVISED THAT WHILE SUBJECT WAS OF GREAT INTEREST, FACT THAT THERE HAD BEEN VERY SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF PRIVATE SEMINARS AND EXHIBITIONS ON THIS TOPIC SINCE OCTOBER 1973 NEFTEGAZ EXHIBITION RAISED SOME DOUBTS AS TO WHETHER OUR PROPOSED SEMINAR/EXHIBIT WOULD BE SUPERFLUOUS. HE ASKED FOR SEVERAL MORE WEEKS TO CONSIDER QUESTION BEFORE REACHING FINAL DECISION. (COMMENT: IN VIEW VERY POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM INDUSTRY REPORTED REFTEL, COMMOFF SUGGESTS THAT USDOC/ BEWT SEND SOONEST LIST OF INTERESTED COMPANIES ALONG WITH PRODUCTS AND, IF ALL POSSIBLE, SOME INDICATIONS AS TO LIKELY SEMINAR PAPER TOPICS. COMMOFF COULD PRESENT THIS LIST TO STATE COMMITTEE AND SUGGEST THAT STATE COMMITTEE, TOGETHER WITH INTERESTED MINISTRY, SELECT PARTICIPANTS IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO AVOID REPETITION OF THEMES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED TO SOVIET AUDIENCES. END COMMENT).

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2. ASSUMING STATE COMMITTEE AGREES SPONSOR EVENT,

BEST DATES (OF THOSE PROPOSED REFTTEL) WOULD BE OCTOBER 7-9. NOVEMBER DATES LESS DESIRABLE IN VIEW FACT THAT THEY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDE HOLIDAY PERIOD.

3. ALTHOUGH COMMOFF WOULD PREFER HOLD NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS TO SEVEN, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO GO HIGHER IF STATE COMMITTEE EXPRESSED DEFINITE INTEREST IN LARGER NUMBER OF COMPANIES.

4. REGARDING EXPERTS EXCHANGE MENTIONED PARA 4 REFTTEL, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO ALLOW TWO EVENTS TO DEVELOP WITHOUT ANY DIRECT RELATIONSHIP.  
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